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DEAREST MOTHER & DADDY:

TO-DAY I RECEIVED LOTTIE'S LETTER DATED MAR. 9TH & TWO OF YOURS DATED MAR 1, & FEB. 27. IMAGINE IT REALLY WAS A THRILL TO TALK TO BERT. WHO'S COMING FROM CHICAGO? AUNT STELLA OR AUNT ROSE? BE SURE AND SEND ME ALL OF THE PICTURES YOU TAKE OF BERT.

WENT TO A SHOW LAST NIGHT, AND SAW "KEY TO THE KINGDOM." O.K. I'LL SEE "HOLLYWOOD CANTEEN" TO-NIGHT.

I'M SENDING LOTTIE A PIN IN THIS LETTER. HOPE SHE LIKES IT. BE GOOD & WRITE SOON. GOT MY FIRST CAMPAIGN BRONZE STAR TO-DAY, FOR THE N. G. CAMPAIGN.

LOVE,
HAROLD

Well, I didn't feel good tonight, so I decided not to go to the show. I have a few letters to write so, this is a good time, as this new typewriter is not in use. Right?

Went on a little hike this morning, and did some training. It wasn't hard, just hot as the devil, and rained all morning. We were off this afternoon and RAINED most of the morning. So I took it easy, read, played and won a few games of checkers, and slept a little. Boy, I am getting so good, no one can give me any competition. There is only one boy in the Company that can beat me, and I haven't played him in about 7 months. I played the boy that was a champion in Australia, an Australian, yesterday, and we tied two to two games. He was really good. I thought for sure that Bert would get a double promotion, instead of just a little old beat up Majority. Right? On the boat I told him and the other officers that they would take them to Washington to question them, and they all said no. And you see that I was right.

Please send me the one piece long ribbon with the good conduct ribbon pre-Pearl Harbor, and the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon all in one. Put two bronze stars and a little arrow on the A-P ribbon. The arrow is for spearheading an invasion. Right? I already have the the Combat Infantry Badge. Be sure and send me a copy of the picture Mr. Grimes gave you.

Daddy, please get Bert to write that book as soon as he gets home. He has a lot of notes, and can get someone to help him out at the University. If he puts it off, he will never do it. He can sell the book, and make a lot on it. It is a chance of a lifetime. Right? When are you going to get the mattress in Mother's room fixed??? Huh?

"OVER"

Harold

P.S. Daddy, I think you ought to buy the Temerson home. I believe Mose would let you have it pretty reasonable, and it will make a nice home for us tolive in after the war. How about it? Huh? Let me know ! And you can always rent it you know ! Please buy it !

H.B.